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## NICARAGUA.

*Report from Bluefields, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Reilley reports, October 30, as follows for the week ended October 29, 1904. Present officially estimated population, 4,000; deaths, 2; prevailing diseases, malarial fever and tuberculosis; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. Number of aliens sailing from this port, 3.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 23	Geo. Dumois.....	15	0	0	0
26	Alabama.....	19	0	0	0
29	Ulstein.....	16	10	0	0

## PANAMA.

*Report from Colon—Inspection of vessels.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, October 31, as follows:

Week ended October 29, 1904, the following vessels have cleared for ports in the United States and have been granted bills of health:

British bark *Gallovidian* for Pascagoula, October 25, with 7 crew and no passengers; American steamship *Allianca* for New York, October 26, with 63 crew and 38 passengers; British steamship *Magician* for New Orleans, October 28, with 40 crew and no passengers; Norwegian steamship *Ellis* for New Orleans, via Limon, Costa Rica, October 28, with 34 crew and 13 passengers; British schooner *Blomidon* for Pascagoula, October 29, with 9 crew and no passengers.

*Reports from Bocas del Toro—fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Osterhout reports, October 28 and November 2, as follows: Week ended October 27, 1904. Population, not obtainable; deaths, 3; prevailing disease, malarial fever. The 3 deaths noted were due, respectively, to malarial fever 2, tuberculosis 1. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage.
Oct. 22	Intrepid.....	Colon.....		12	0	(a)
23	Bound Brook.....	Mobile, Ala.....	32	5	0	
25	Herald.....	Colon.....		71	0	(a)
27	Beacon.....	Mobile, Ala.....	27	0	0	0
27	Fort Gaines.....	do.....	22	1	0	3

a Not inspected.

Week ended November 2, 1904. Deaths, 1; prevailing disease, malarial fever. The 1 death noted was a case of hæmoglobinuria. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage.
Oct. 29	Amaze.....	Colon.....	.....	7	0	0
30	Preston.....	New Orleans, La..	28	0	0	0
Nov. 1	Herald.....	Colon.....	.....	39	0	0

#### PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

##### *Report from Manila—Treatment of vessels and crews.*

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports as follows:

No plague or cholera was reported in the city of Manila for the week ended September 17, 1904. Four cases of smallpox with 1 death were reported for this period.

The following vessels cleared for United States ports:

September 14, 1904, the American steamer *Pleiades* for Tacoma via Hongkong and Japanese ports. This vessel was fumigated throughout with sulphur. A large number of rats and other vermin was destroyed. The crew was inspected on board just prior to sailing.

September 15, 1904, the U. S. army transport *Logan* for San Francisco via Nagasaki and Honolulu. The steerage passengers and crew were bathed and their effects disinfected with steam. Cabin passengers were inspected on board just prior to sailing. All cargo on manifests was passed, the suspicious portions thereof being first disinfected. All baggage that was passed was so labeled.

#### PORTO RICO.

##### *Report from Ponce.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Torres reports, November 1, as follows:

##### *Summary of transactions of service at Ponce during the month of October, 1904.*

Vessels inspected.....	13
Bills of health issued.....	18
Passengers inspected:	
Incoming.....	48
In transit.....	1, 115
Crew inspected.....	665
Vessels in quarantine.....	4
Immigrants inspected.....	24
Rejection.....	0
Number of persons detained in quarantine.....	0
Number of pieces of baggage disinfected.....	0
Number of vessels disinfected.....	1